

**OPPOSE**

January 25, 2010

***STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEMS  
STAFF REPORT ON LEGISLATION AFFECTING  
THE STATE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM***

***96th General Assembly***

**SENATE BILL 1585 –Senator Larry Bomke**

**PROPOSAL**

Senate Bill 1585 amends the State Employees' Article of the Pension Code to provide the alternative formula to certain forensic employees of the Department of State Police.

**COMMENT**

Senate Bill 1585 amends the State Employees' Article of the Pension Code to provide the alternative formula to certain forensic employees of the Department of State Police. A forensic employee is defined as a person employed by the State Police on a full-time basis as a forensic scientist or forensic technician. The SERS alternative formula generally provides a higher retirement benefit and lower retirement ages.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is the recommendation of staff that we oppose Senate Bill 1585.